

Proclamation 5943 of March 18, 1989

National Agriculture Day, 1989

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

American agriculture is a vital resource for the world. People around the globe share in our harvests—and our prayers for bountiful crops each year.

Our country is blessed with fertile land, a benevolent climate, and generations of skilled farmers who have the will and the capacity to provide enough food and fiber for this Nation and for much of the rest of the world as well.

As the most efficient agricultural producers in history, Americans appreciate the value of technological and scientific advances in agriculture. We understand the need to conserve soil and water, and to protect the environment.

Today, Americans are determined to build on this proud heritage of productive agriculture. We are determined to promote the industry and commerce that enable our crops to reach and remain competitive in markets at home and abroad.

In recognition of the role of agriculture in our daily life and our life as a Nation, the Congress, by House Joint Resolution 117, has designated March 20, 1989, as "National Agriculture Day" and has authorized and requested the President to issue a proclamation in observance of this event.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE BUSH, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim March 20, 1989, as National Agriculture Day. I call upon the people of the United States to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this eighteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirteenth.

GEORGE BUSH

Proclamation 5944 of March 21, 1989

Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy, 1989

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

Each year on March 25th, Americans gladly join in celebrating the anniversary of Greek independence—the national day of our long-time friends and allies. The ties between our two nations today have been woven throughout the centuries. Ancient Greece gave the world a profound appreciation for freedom, justice, and democratic government.

Our Nation's Founding Fathers drew insight from the classical Greek philosophers, and our own struggle for independence was inspired by the democratic values the Greeks espoused. In 1821, less than a century after the American Revolution, American friends of Greece backed the Greek drive for nationhood. President James Monroe voiced our Nation's support for "the heroic struggle of the Greeks" during his seventh annual address to the Congress.

Greeks and Americans share contemporary bonds as well. Millions of Americans proudly claim Greek descent. Partners in NATO, our two nations are united in the common defense of liberty and democratic government.

On March 25th, one hundred and sixty-eight years ago, the Greek people began their struggle for nationhood and independence. By joining the Greek commemoration of that event, we remember the democratic values that Greece and the United States share and we rededicate ourselves to them.

The Congress, by Senate Joint Resolution 64, has designated March 25, 1989, as "Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy" and has authorized and requested the President to issue a proclamation in observance of this event.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE BUSH, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim March 25, 1989, as Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy, and I urge all Americans to join in appropriate ceremonies and activities to salute the Greek people and Greek independence.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-first day of March, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirteenth.

GEORGE BUSH

Proclamation 5945 of March 24, 1989

Women's History Month, 1989 and 1990

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

Women have written many proud pages in the history of the United States, throughout all areas of our national life. Women's History Month is a time to recognize those contributions and the critical role they have played in the preservation of the principles and values that all Americans hold dear.

Women have served with distinction in all professions; they have contributed to our Nation's prosperity in all fields of business; they have served our country with courage in time of conflict; they have educated and inspired our children; and they have figured prominently in all our great struggles for political and social reform. Today women play a major role in our public life—they can be found working in the Congress, in the Cabinet, on the Supreme Court, and in our embassies